



Village of Steger

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

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Date: March 22, 2024

- 3/15 Motor Vehicle Theft – 3421 Chicago Rd. (Enterprise Leasing). A 2022 Nissan Altima was leased on February 1st. The person leasing the vehicle failed to return the vehicle as outlined in the lease agreement. Numerous attempts were made to retrieve the vehicle but met with negative results. The vehicle was entered into LEADS as stolen. The vehicle was recovered in Park Forest. TOT Investigations.
- 3/16 Aggravated Battery to a Peace Officer, Unlawful Possession of Weapon by Felon, Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon – 0-100 Block of E. 30th PL. Witness told police Antuan D. Townsend, 43 of Chicago Heights pointed a handgun at them and took one of the victim's phone. Police made contact with Townsend and attempted to handcuff the subject. Townsend resisted, causing minor injuries to officers. Townsend was arrested, and transported to St James Olympia Fields Hospital for evaluation. A firearm was recovered from the scene and placed into evidence.
- 3/16 Aggravated Fleeing & Eluding – Sauk Trail & Holman Ave. ISP Airplane was following a stolen red Jeep. Steger police located the vehicle traveling southbound on State St. approaching the railroad tracks. Police attempted to stop the vehicle but met with negative results. The vehicle was later stopped in Lynwood, where ISP and other agencies took three occupants into custody.
- 3/16 Suspicious Circumstances – 200 Block of Lakeview Ct. Resident reported finding his mailbox open and his mail located down the street.
- 3/17 Domestic Disturbance – 3231 Chicago Rd. Verbal altercation between mother and daughter escalated and a physical altercation ensued. TOT DCFS.
- 3/17 Aggravated Fleeing & Eluding – 34th & Western. Police received a Flock notification of a stolen vehicle traveling northbound Western Avenue from Exchange. Police located the vehicle but were unsuccessful making a traffic stop.

- 3/18 Domestic Dispute – 3400 Block of S. Kings Rd. Verbal altercation between cohabitants. Both parties agreed to stay away from each other for the evening, peace restored.
- 3/18 Traffic Arrest – 35th & State St. Juan I Romero Hernandez, 40 of Chicago Heights was arrested for No Valid Driver's License, Suspended Registration, and Operation of Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Hernandez was cited and released. The offender's vehicle was towed and impounded.
- 3/18 Traffic Arrest – 34th & S. Kings Rd. Bakari Hull, 28 of Hazel Crest was arrested for Driving While License Suspended and Improper Lighting. Hull was cited and released. The offender's vehicle was towed and impounded.
- 3/19 Aggravated Assault – 3500 Block of Chicago Rd. Victim reported, after pulling out of the gas station, unknown subject driving a blue pickup, beeped his horn. The subject pulled next to the victim and rolled down his window. The victim told police he apologized to the subject. The subject then retrieved a firearm from his vehicle and pointed at the victim. The subject drove eastbound on 35th St. TOT Investigations.
- 3/19 Child Custody Dispute – 3300 Block of Dorsetshire Dr. The Reporting Party told police he went to pick up his child from his ex-girlfriends residence but nobody was home. Report on file, TOT Will County Court.
- 3/19 Harassment through Electronic Communications – 3400 Block of Halsted Blvd. Victim reported receiving harassing text messages from her ex-boyfriend. Report on file.
- 3/20 Domestic Dispute – 3200 Block of Sandy Ridge. Discipline problem with juvenile. Peace restored.
- 3/22 Burglary – 0-100 Block of 31st St. Victim reported an unknown offender removed a push lawn mower from her unsecured detached garage. TOT Investigations.
- 3/22 Traffic Arrest – 300 Block of W. 34th St. Tyra M. Richmond, 24 of Matteson was arrested for No Valid Driver's License, Suspended Registration, Operation of Uninsured motor Vehicle, and Improper Lighting. Richmond was cited and released.